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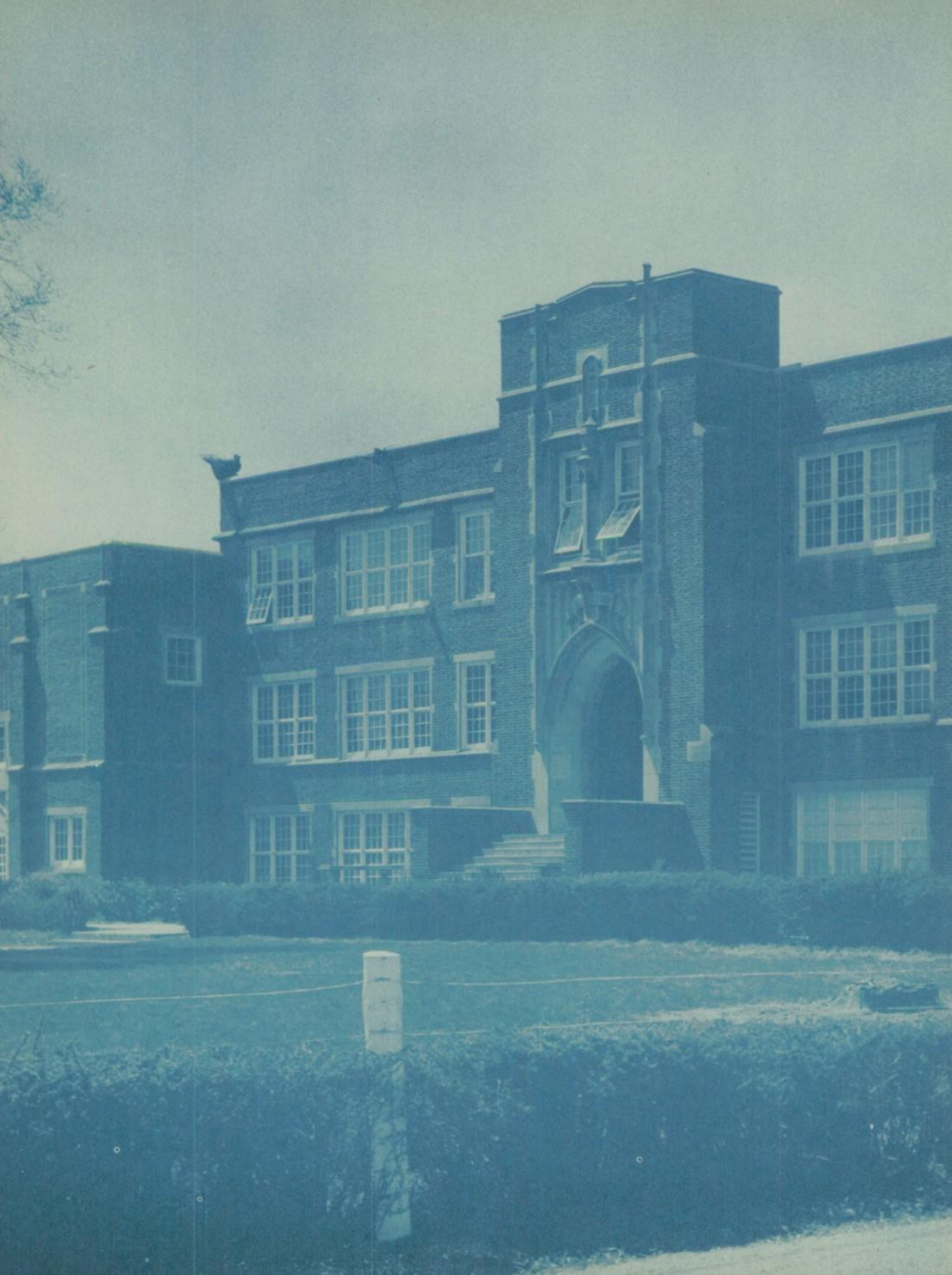

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12 YEAR CLASSMATES

FRONT ROW: Harriette Casebeer, Janet Ament, Lynne Bean, Hannah Casebeer, Linda Beccue, Phyllis Ballard. SECOND ROW: Gleora Senters, Neil Statzer, Tom Elbs, Jerry Lewis, Judy Gire, Kenny Pyle, Gilby Fonner.

HAS
TURNED

SENIOR TRIP

HONORS

VALEDICTORIAN	Charles "Duke" Lough
SALUTATORIAN	Jean Rochat

SCHOLARSHIP LETTERS

Freshmen: Lydia May Bassett, Robert Gaines, Donald Holste, Stephen Kappes, Jean Parrott, Roberta Stutz, Doris June Taylor, Diana Watkins

Sophomores: Kathie Dickason, Clark Feltner, Pat Helm, Lloyd Jackson, Martha Kielhorn, Johnnie Lanier, Edwin McGrath, Marlene Melton, Donald Myles, Wanda Savage, Ronnie Wade

Juniors: Jo Ann Best, Bill Jones, Eddie Oakes, Beverly Parrott, Sandra Sellers, Shirley Smith

Seniors: Mark Brown, Vicki English, Bob Holste, Jerry Lewis, Charles Lough, Marlana Morse, Jean Rochat

JUNIOR CAPE	Beverly Parrott Shirley Smith Bill Jones
ATHLETIC AWARD	Pat Madigan

NATIONAL ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY

Neil Statzer, Jerry Lewis, Tom Elbs, Jerome Tanous, Denny Wade, Pat Madigan, Dale Hillard, Bill Jones, Dave Hettinger, Fred Spurlin, Bob Holste

D.A.R. AWARD	Vicki English
S.A.R. AWARD	Charles Lough
DANFORTH FOUNDATION AWARD	Judy Gire Bob Holste
ARIAN AWARD	Lynne Bean
ATTENDANCE AWARD	Neil Statzer

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Permanent Members: Charles Lough, Jean Rochat, Marlana Morse, Jerry Lewis, Rita Rund, Vicki English

Probationary Members: Shirley Smith, Beverly Parrott, Bill Jones, Jo Ann Best, Martha Kielhorn, Lloyd Dackson, Ronnie Wade

GENERAL SCHOLASTIC AWARDS

Foreign Language	Bill Jones
Mathematics Award	Jerry Lewis
Social Science Award	Jean Rochat
Vocational Training Award	Mark Brown
Agriculture Award	Rex Fenwick

AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS	Amy Sue Taylor Fred Spurlin

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DEADWOOD

CUSTODIANS

Jim Crouse and Mr. Campbell

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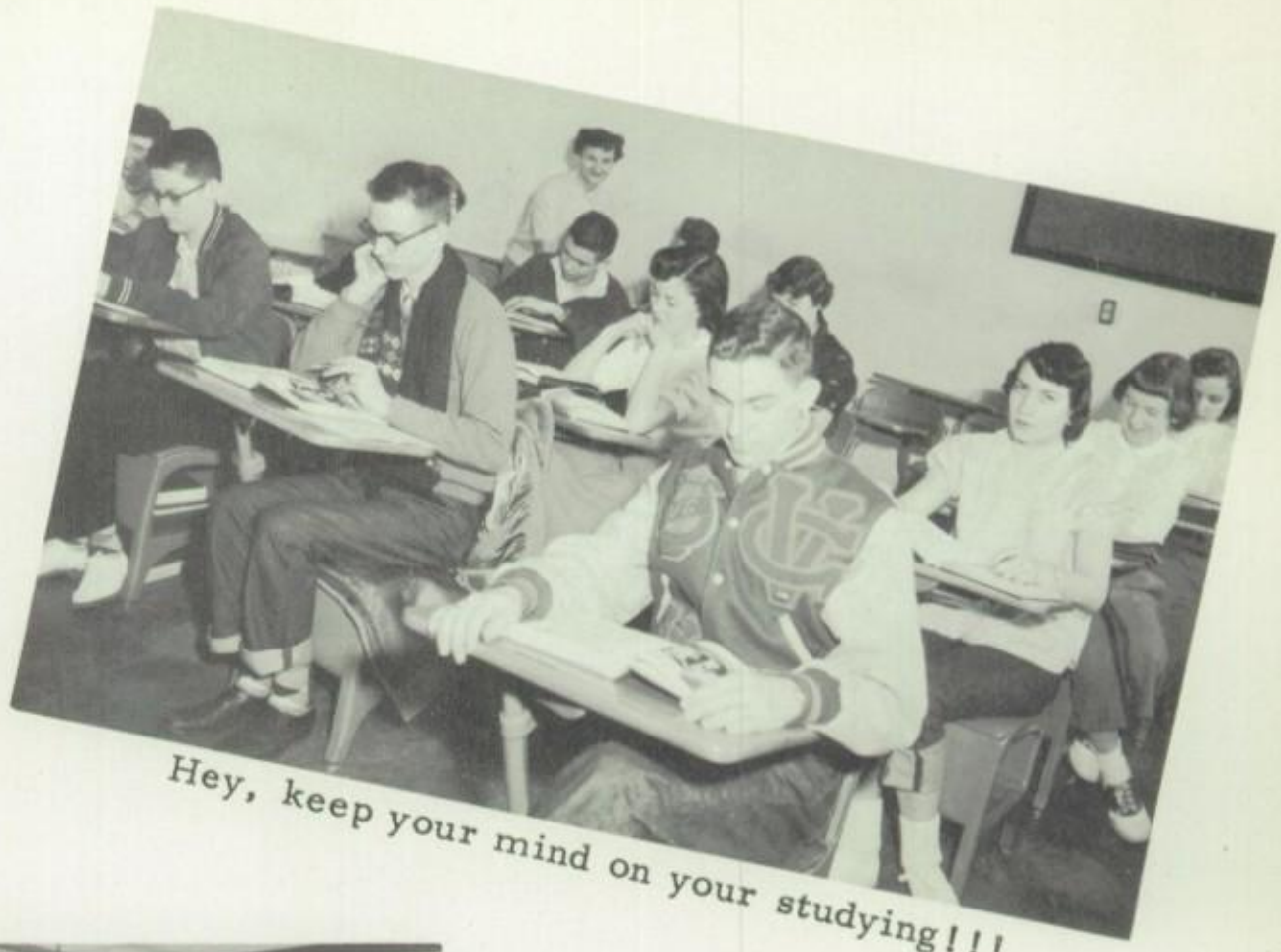

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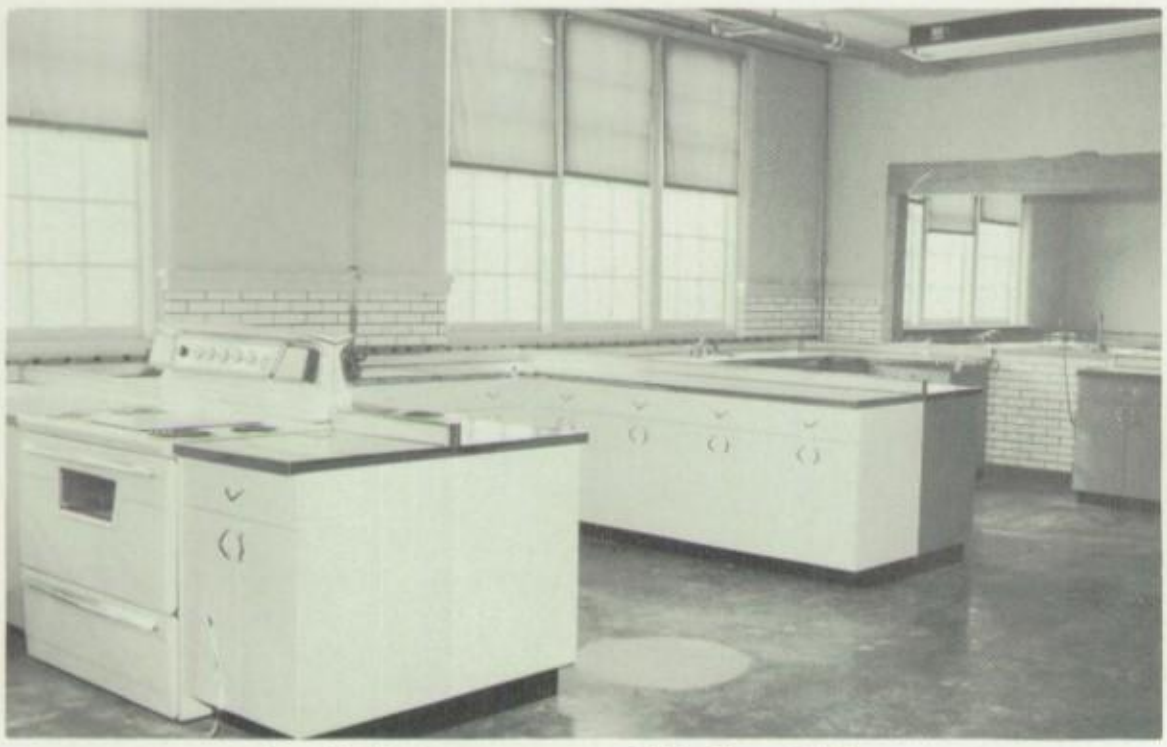

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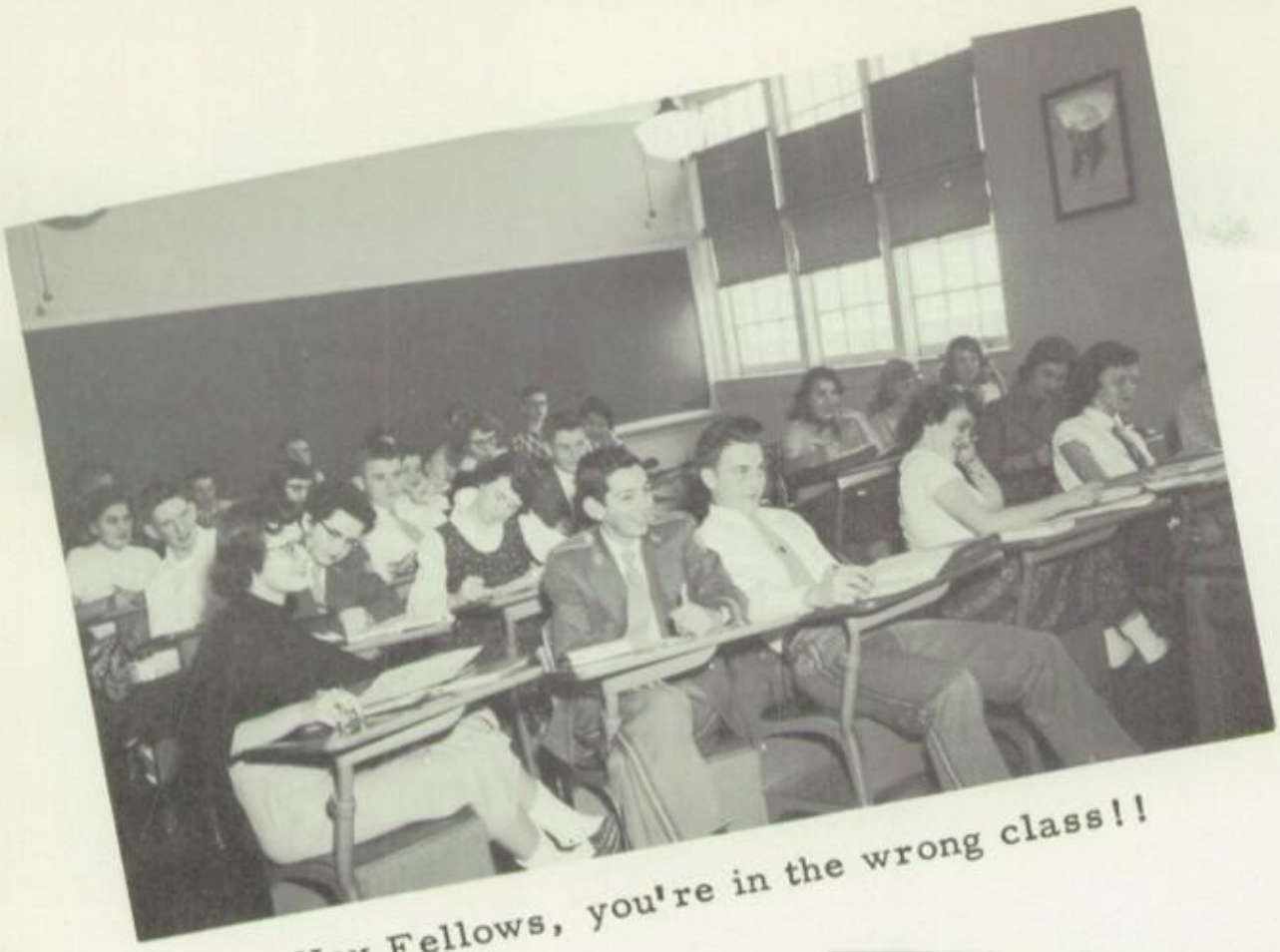
There is an intelligent looking group!!!



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High School Gymnasium

Music by Lou George
and his orchestra

Saturday evening
May twelfth
Nineteen hundred and fifty-six
Nine o'clock

MEANWHILE BACK AT THE RANCH

MENU

Spring Sustenance

Spring Sunrise
Tomato Juice

Bird on the Wing
Fried Chicken with dressing
and gravy

Spring Greens
Green Beans

Fluffy Clouds
Mashed Potatoes

Spring Salad
Jello Salad

Spring Rain
Coffee
Tea

Spring Staff
Hot Rolls and
butter

King of the May
Apple, Cherry, Peach Pie
and ice cream

TOASTS

G Garden Gate (Juniors Toast of Welcome) Shirley Smith

A A Bouquet for Juniors (Seniors Toast of Thanks) Duke Lough

R Reap as You Sow (Developing of Ones Talents) Joseph Kelley

D Daisies Won't Tell (Take-Off and Jokes) Fred Spurlin

E Every Bloom Once a Seed (Efforts Lead to Success) Leslie Wolfe

N Note in Closing Maurice Myers

TO OUR DATES

I want to thank you for the date
We had this lovely night
It made the moon look larger and
The stars seemed twice as bright
I do not know when I was quite
So happy and content
Or when I understood so well
What friendship really meant
And in your charming smile
I felt that everything in life
was wonderfully worthwhile
The music fades, the stars grow
dim
The night too soon departs
And though it dies it leaves a
mem'ry
Glowing in our hearts

VALENTINE SWEETHEART

CAROLYN SHOEMAKER

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Mr. Gilbreth	Duke Lough
Mrs. Gilbreth	Phyllis Ballard
Ernestine	Vicki English
Anne	Jean Rochat
Martha	Hannah Casebeer
Fred	Bob Holste
Bill	Mark Brown
Dan	Tom Elbs
Jackie	Denny Wade
Frank	Jerry Lewis
Lillian	Harriette Casebeer
Mrs. Fitzgerald	Polly Nalley
Dr. Burton	Kenneth Berry
Joe Scales	Art Fisher
Miss Brill	Lynne Bean
Larry	Jitsy Tanous

Assistant Directors
Ada McBride
Janet Ament

Director
Mrs. Wilson

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JoAnn Best . . . . . Marian Carstairs
Maurice Myers . . . . . Archie
Beverly Parrott . . . . . April
Sandra Sellers . . . . . Dinah
Lorraine Talkington . . . . . Polly Walker
Jim Berry . . . . . Wallie Sanford
Lynn Jones . . . . . Mrs. Cherington
Eddie Oakes . . . . . Mr. Cherington
Kerry Keith. . . . . Rupert Van Dueson
Phil Gammon . . . . . Frankie Riley
Bill Jones . . . . . Bill Smith
Steele Zinser . . . . . Sergeant O'Hara
Dale Hillard . . . . . Pete
Patricia Mooney . . . . . Joella
Joe Goodwin . . . . . Flashlight
Galen Junkins . . . . . Slukey
Sharon Eversole . . . . . Wendy
Kathy Cler . . . . . Meg
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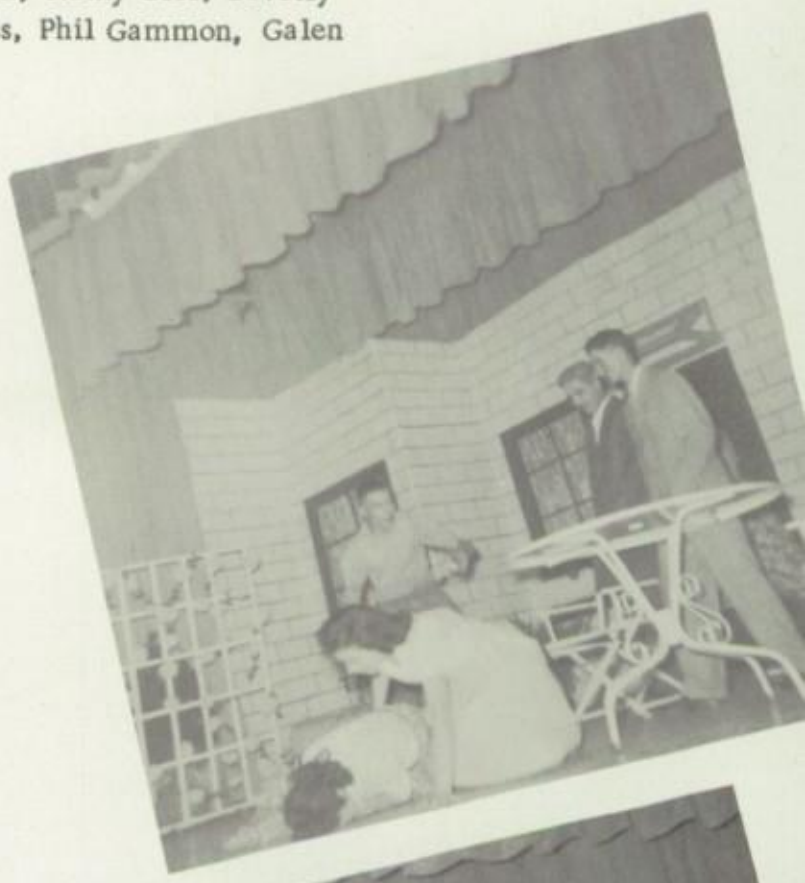

ATTENDANTS

SENIOR ATTENDANTS
Amy Taylor, Larry Heneghan

JUNIOR ATTENDANTS
Judy Snodgrass, Keith Melton

SOPHOMORE ATTENDANT
Marlene Melton, (Not Pictured) Ron McCartney

FRESHMAN ATTENDANTS
Diana Watkins, Joe Eversole

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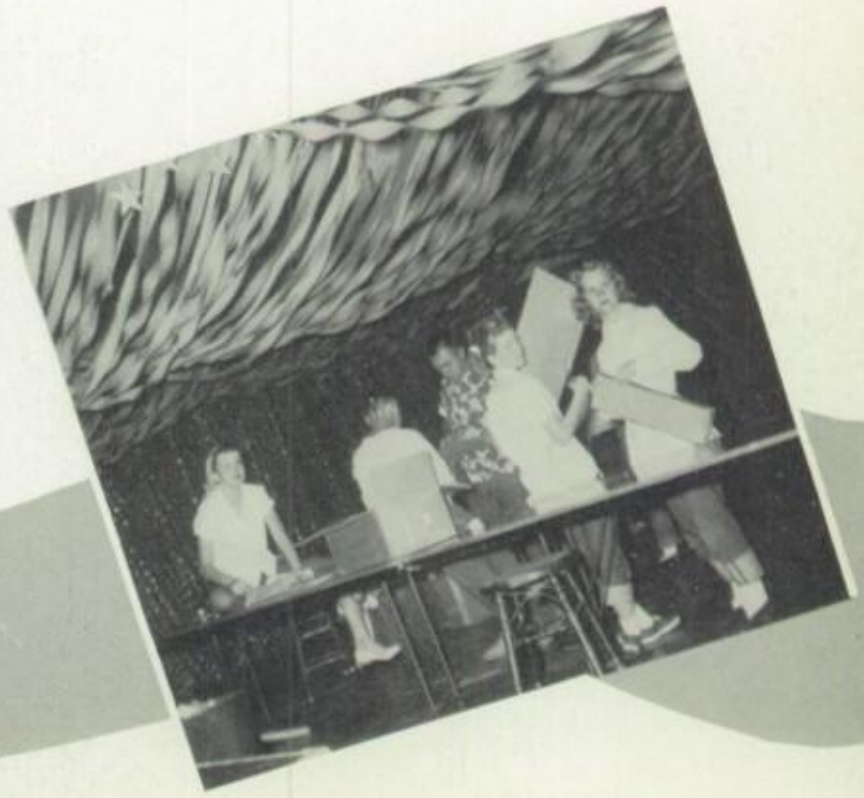

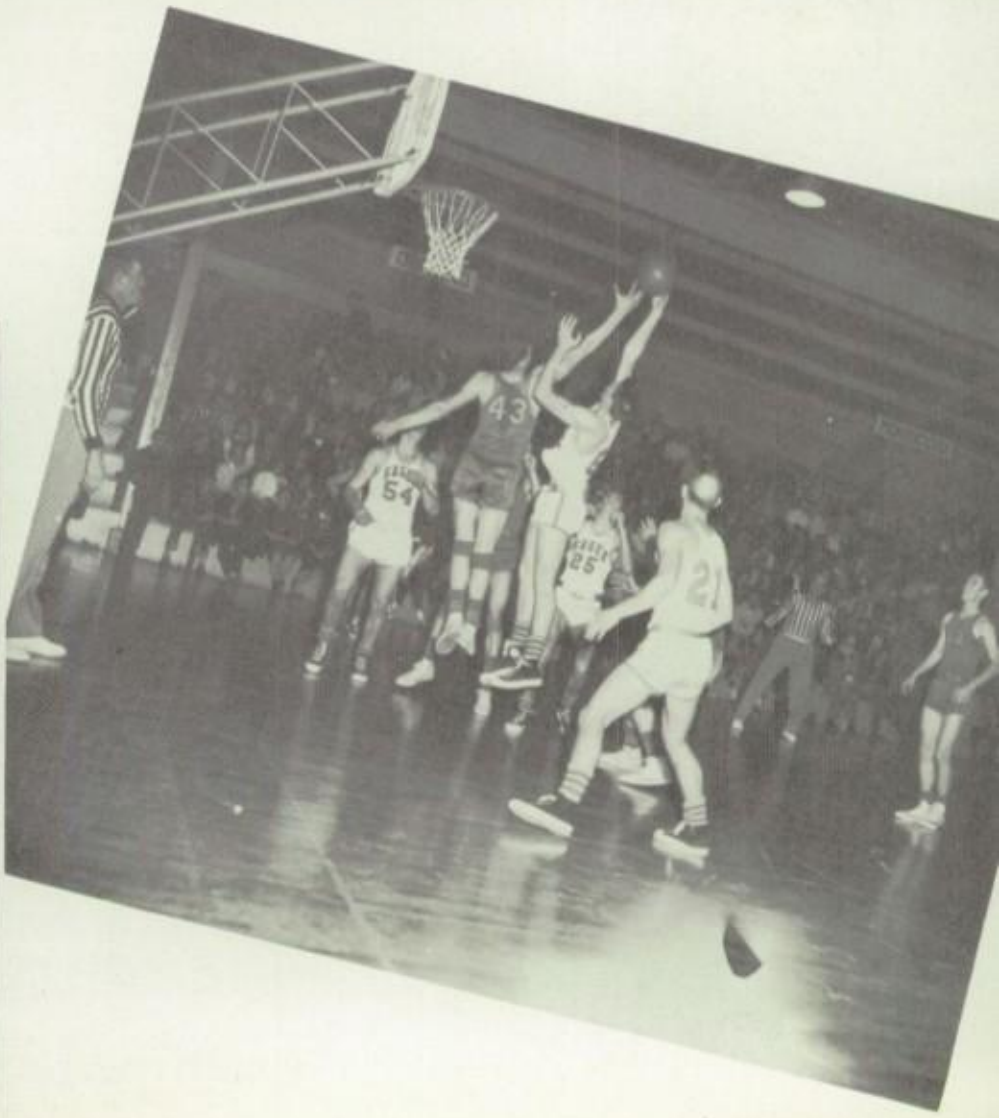

"BIG FOOT PASS"

Jerry Lewis

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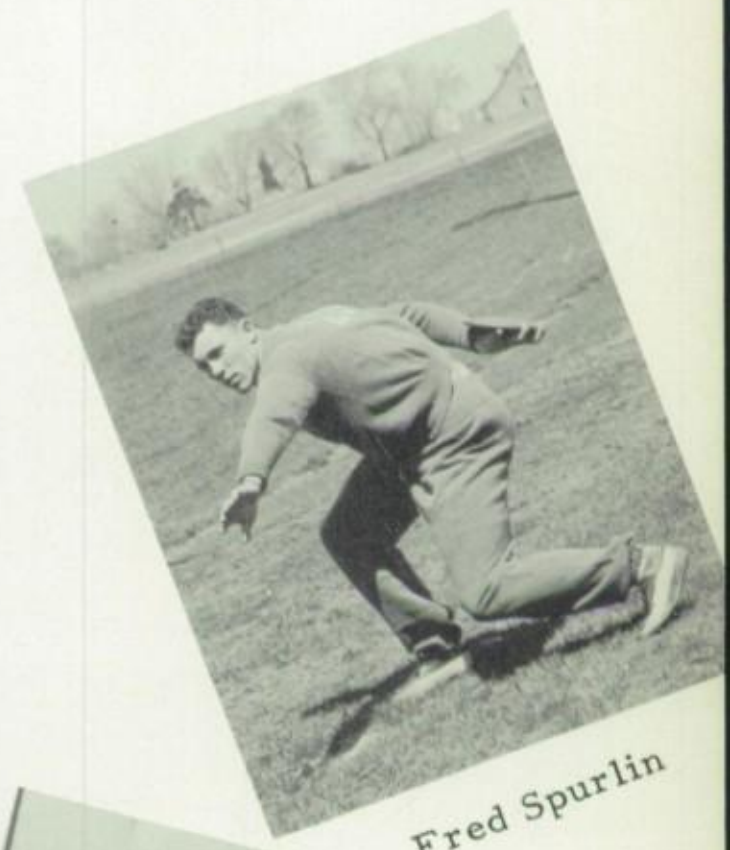
Dale Hillard

Don Payton

Neil Statzer



Fred Spurlin

Keith Melton

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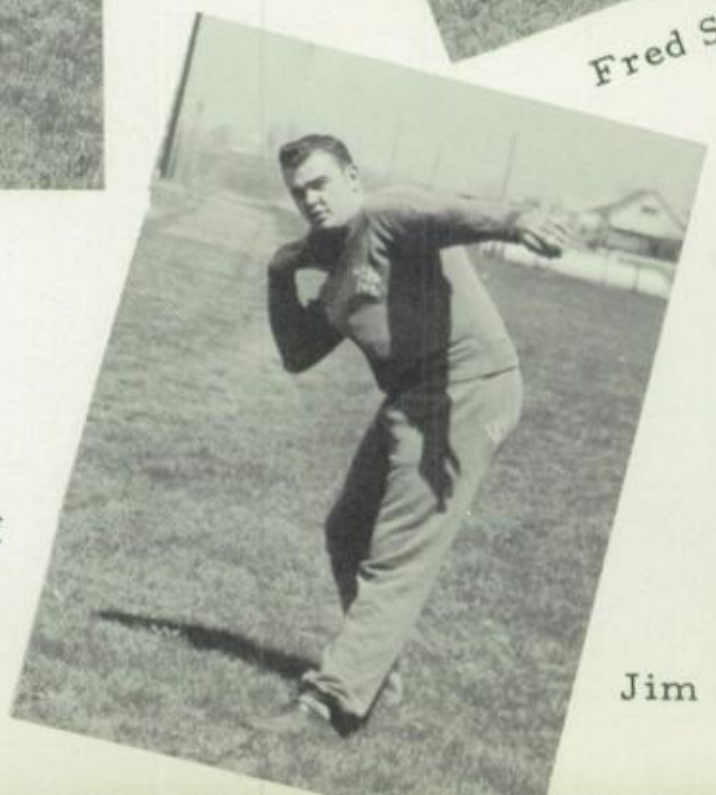

Jim Berry

THE GOLD STRIKERS

FRONT ROW: Glen Edwards, Buddy Happ, Henry Martin, Herman Smith, Konal Crist, Bob Gaines Bob Holste. SECOND ROW: Steve Paddock, Denny Wade, Pat Madigan, Jerry Lewis, Neal Tay, John Gilles, John Czerwonka, Manager. THIRD ROW: David Dyke, Paul Lourash, Steele Zinser, Dale Hillard, Tom Elbs, Don Payton, David Hettinger, Richard Billman, Larry Heneghan.

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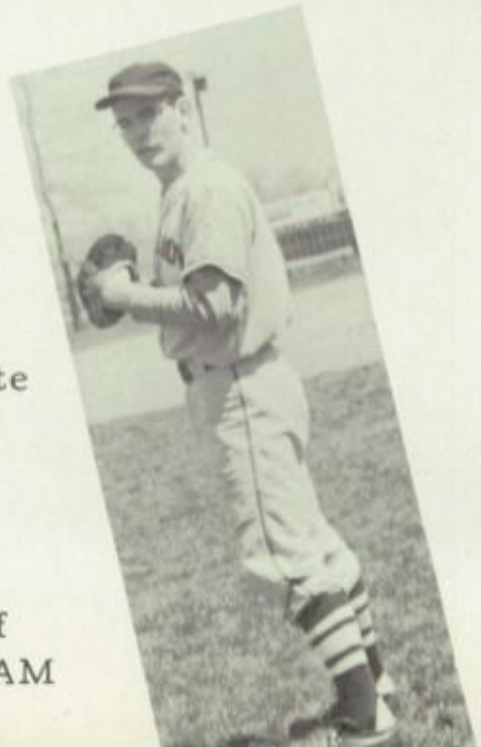

Denny Wade

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T THE PASS

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VARSITY BASKETBALL SCORES 1955-56 SEASON

V.G. 64	Homer	71	V.G. 58	St. Joseph	72	V.G. 66	Chrisman	92
V.G. 61	Sullivan	70	V.G. 63	Central	69	V.G. 64	Monticello	50
V.G. 71	Deland-Weldon	86	V.G. 61	Newman	85	V.G. 57	Charleston	74
V.G. 49	Oakland	82	V.G. 68	Arthur	72	V.G. 63	Unity	98
V.G. 54	Unity	72	V.G. 78	Farmer City	82	V.G. 60	A.B.L.	75
V.G. 65	Tuscola	54	V.G. 43	Arcola	45	V.G. 72	Bement	70
V.G. 62	Lakeview	86	V.G. 79	Cerro Gordo	62		REGIONAL	
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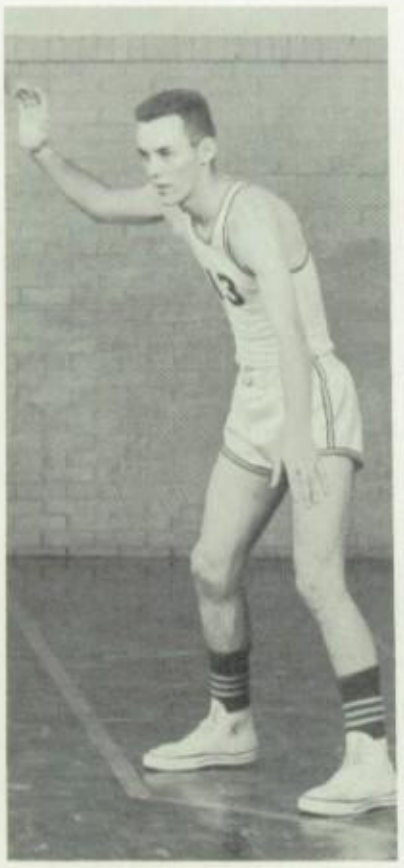
Tom Elbs



Jerry Lewis

Dale Hillard

Don Payton

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HEAD 'EM OFF

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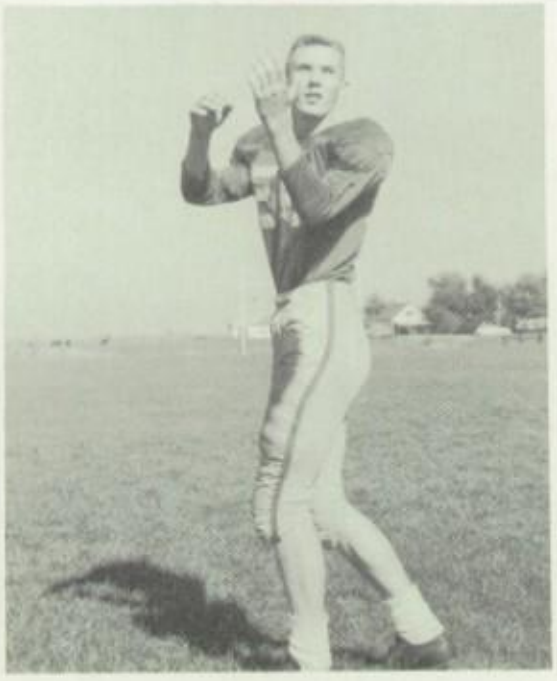

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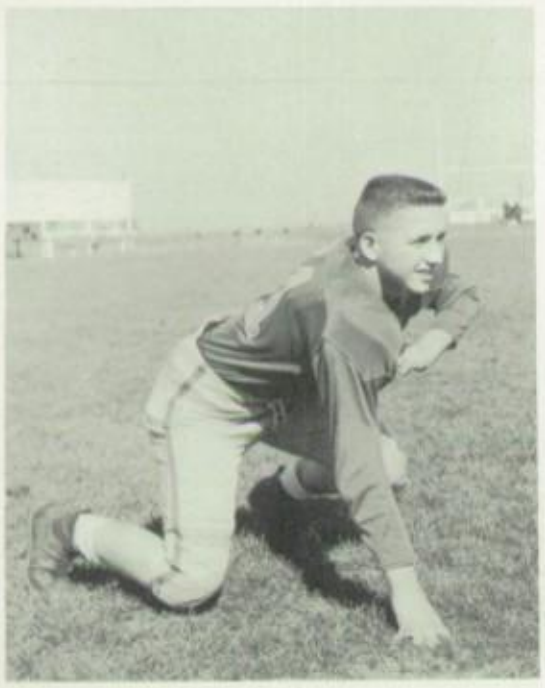

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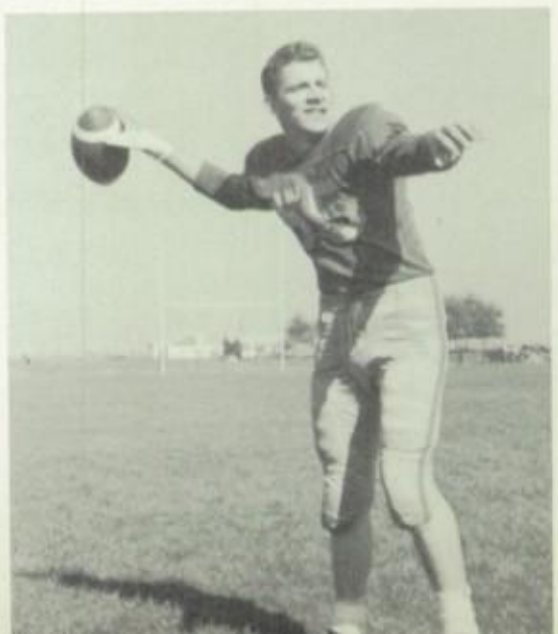

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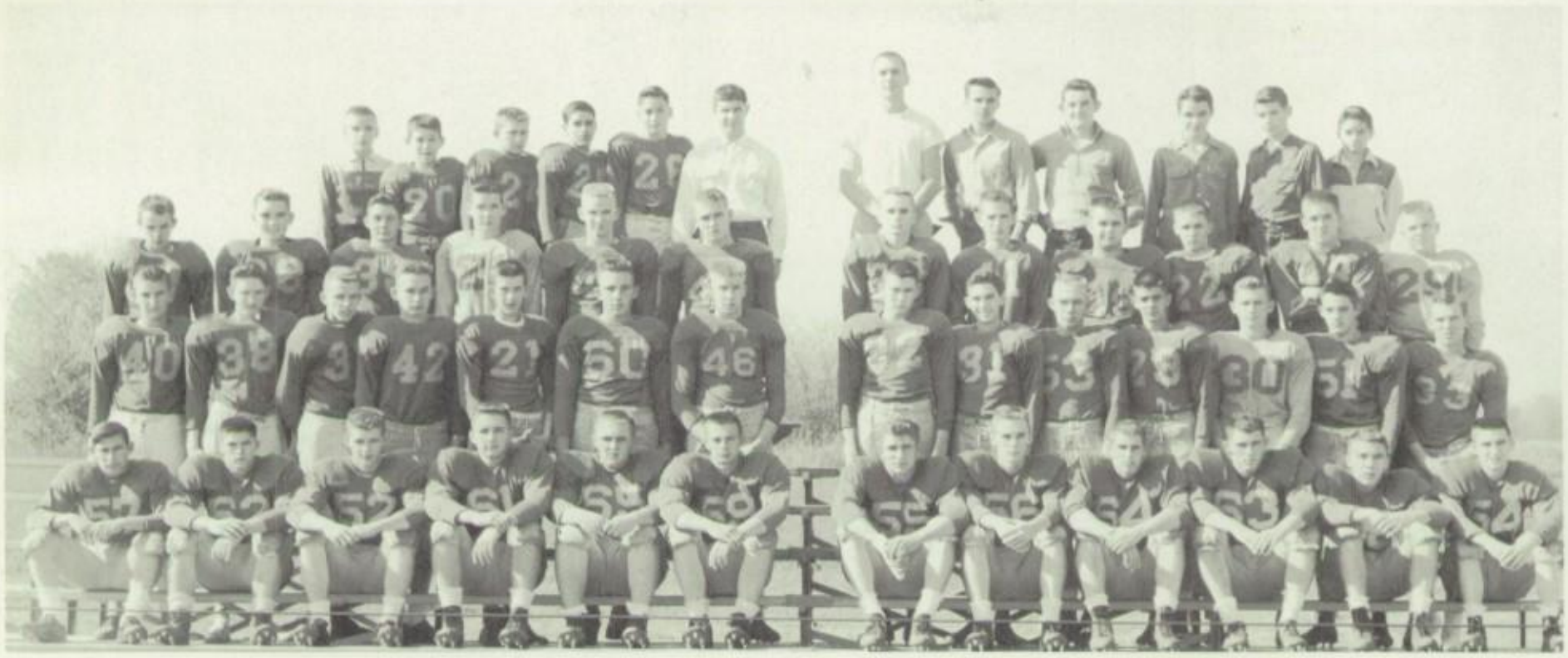

BOTTOM ROW: Keith Melton, Don Payton, Keith Hunt, Steele Zinser, Tom Elbs, Larry Heneghan, John Greger, Jerry Lewis, Pat Madigan, Fred Spurlin, Denny Wade, Neil Statzer. SECOND ROW: Henry Martin, Bob Gaines, Darrell Griffith, Ronnie Matteson, Phil Madigan, Richard Kincanon, Ronnie Wilson, Dale Hillard, Bill Jones, Rex Fenwick, John Miller, Jerry Dubson, Dave Hettinger, Don Bennett. THIRD ROW: Allen Mann, Bill Schackel, Chris Beurskens, Roger Turner, Jack Dempsey, Harvey McKenzie, Richard Billman, John Reinhart, Terry Clabaugh, Bill Morse, Jim Duncan, Butch Wade. FOURTH ROW: Mike Blackford, Fred Smith, John Gilles, Steve Howard, Charles Simpson, Coach Bill Crum, Assistant Coach Chet Trost, Ronnie McCartney, Pete Mayhall, Joe Eversole, John Czerwonka, Walter Howard.

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SPORTS

Diana Watkins, Carolyn Sawyer, Jean Parrott, Janet Farrier

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCORES

GROVERS WIN OPENER 45-13

The Villa Grove Blue Devils fought hard against a fine Unity eleven and defeated them. John Greger and Don Payton each scored three touchdowns and an extra point making a total of 19 points each and Jerry Lewis scored an extra point. Fred Spurlin also got a touchdown.

V.G. UPSETS GIBSON CITY

This was a rough and tumble game which caused two V.G. injuries. Pat Madigan broke a vertibrae and John Greger broke his thumb. Payton scored two touchdowns and John Greger made an extra point to wrap up the victory 13-0.

V.G. WINS AGAIN

Grovers roll Paris 13-7 to make Homecoming activities a success. It was one of the toughest games of the season. Jerry Lewis made a T.D. and Don Payton scored 7 points.

V.G. DOWNS MONTICELLO 49-6

Don Payton broke two conference records in this game by scoring 42 points and gaining 315 yards. John Greger made the other Grovers T.D. and Keith Melton scored the extra point.

VILLA GROVE DEFEATS SULLIVAN 26-7

V.G. downed a strong Sullivan team 26-7. Jerry Lewis scored one touchdown, John Greger 8 points, and Payton scored 12 points.

DEVILS UPSET TUSCOLA 45-7

Blue Devils wrecked Warriors homecoming in good fashion. Don Payton scored 37 points and Dave Hettinger scored the other T.D.

V.G. DEFEATS OAKLAND 19-0

We won't talk about this one!!!

BLUE DEVILS ROLLED BY ATWOOD

The Grovers winning streak was broken by the hard hitting Atwood eleven by a defeat of 28-7. V.G. was without the aid of Don Payton, Pat Madigan, Keith Hunt, and Fred Spurlin.

GROVERS UPSET

The determined team of Newman rolled V.G. 13-6. Don Payton scored the only T.D. give him 135 points for the season.

VARSITY BASEBALL SCORES 1956

Villa Grove	6	Charleston	21	" "	6	Champaign	21
" "	4	"	16	" "	8	Newman	4
" "	1	Newman	11	" "	21	Unity	11
" "	2	Champaign	10	" "	20	Jamaca	4
" "	5	Bement	16	" "	21	Bement	6
" "	5	Newman	4	" "	9	Chrisman	0
" "	3	A.B.L.	10				

FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE BASEBALL SCORES

Villa Grove	9	A.B.L.	8
" "	1	Newman	4
" "	7	Unity	12

DRAMATICS

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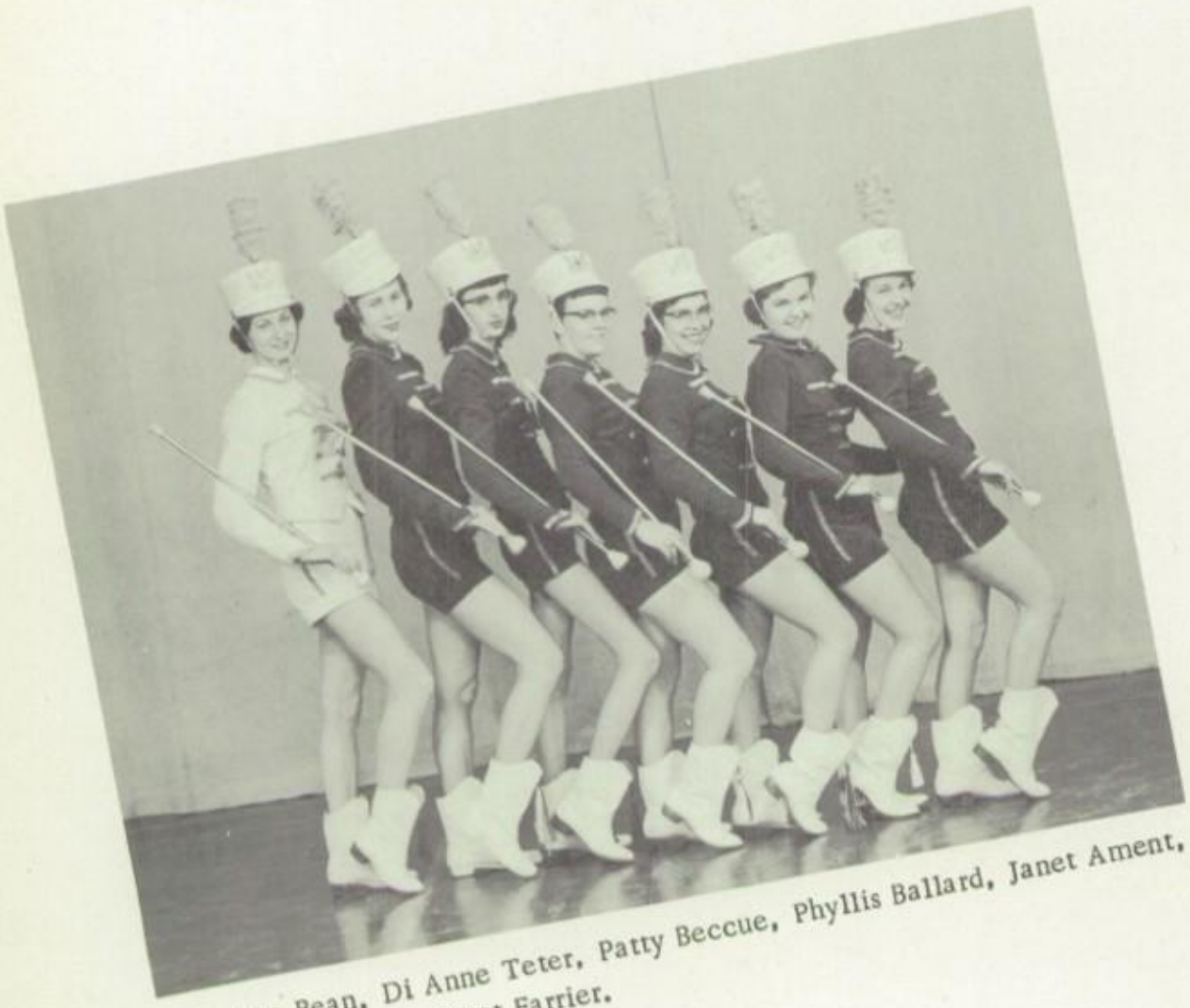

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Terry Reedy

Mary Sawyer

Bill Schackel

Herman Smith

Roberta Stutz

Doris Taylor

Diana Watkins

Barton Holcomb

Marlene Wilson

RESHMEN

Edna Akers

Doris Kay Arwine

Lydia Bassett

Patty Beccue

Chris Beurskens

Mike Blackford

Diana Blakeney

Sharon Coslet

Beverly Czerwonka

Konal Crist

Joann Davis

Jim Duncan

David Dyke

Bob Dyke

Larry Eisenmenger

Joe Eversole

Daniel Frye

Bob Gaines

Buddy Happ

Robert Mitsdarfer

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Carolyn Shoemaker

Sandra Sellers

Shirley Smith

Myrtie Simpson

Judy Snodgrass

Margaret Fry

Lorraine Talkington

Dianne Teter

Steele Zinser

Anna May Simpson

JUNIORS

Joyce Basham

Jo Ann Best

James Christian

Kathleen Cler

Jean Clevenger

Sherrill Cook

Barbara Crouse

Rex Fenwick

Phil Gammon

Joe Goodwin

John Greger

Marie Griffith

Jerry Hardyman

Dale Hillard

Jane Huber

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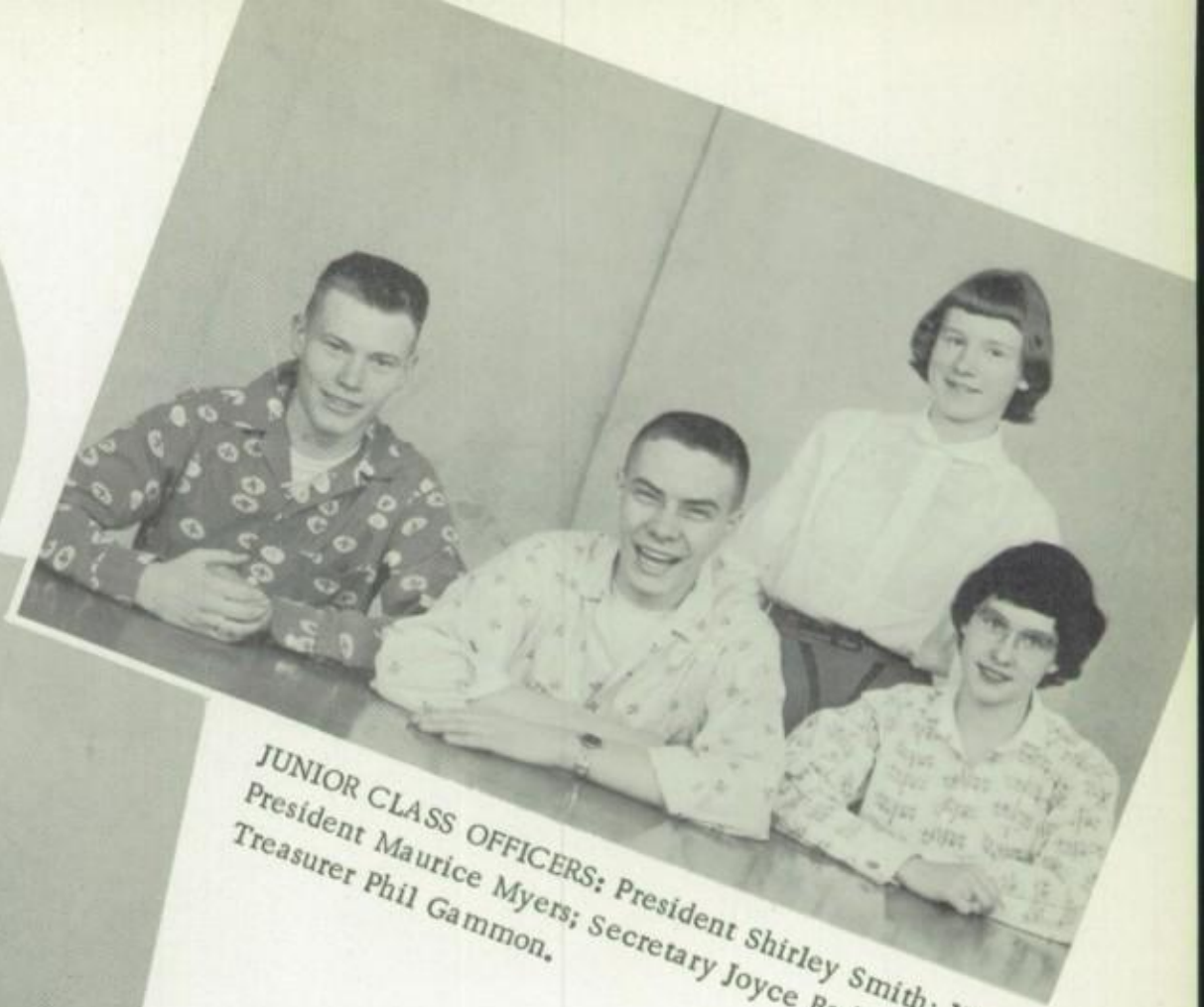

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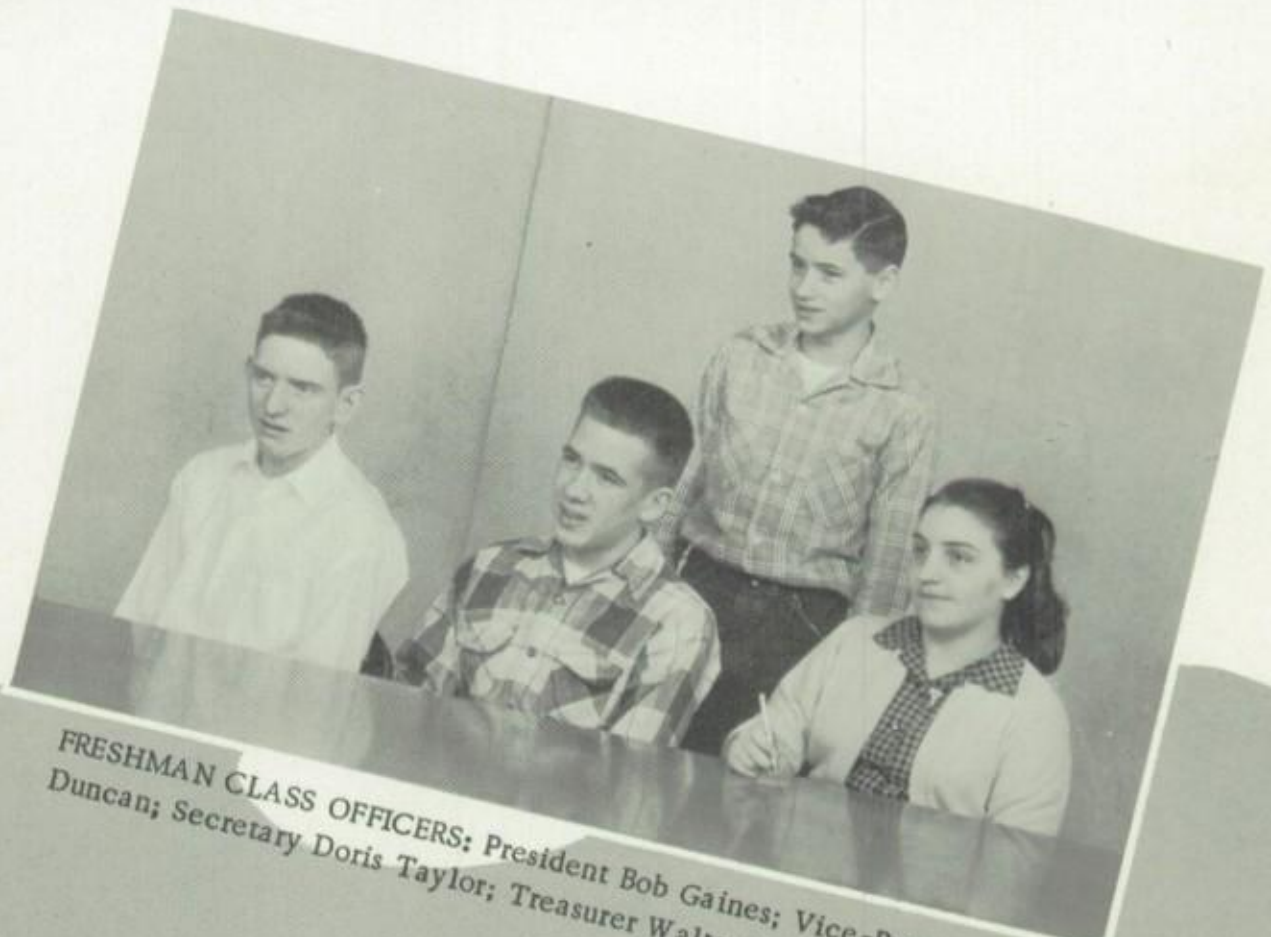
UNDERCLASSMEN



FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS: President Bob Gaines; Vice-President Jim Duncan; Secretary Doris Taylor; Treasurer Walter Howard.

D.A.R.

Vicki English was chosen by the Senior Class and faculty of the Villa Grove High School to receive the annual D.A.R. award given to an outstanding senior girl, for the year 1955-56. Her many activities include: Chorus, G.A.A. Dramatics, Cheerleader, Thespian, Newspaper, and Annual Staff. She has been class president for two years and treasurer her senior year. She was chosen Homecoming Queen and was in both class plays.

S.A.R.

For the second time in the history of Villa Grove High School a senior boy was honored by being chosen for the S.A.R. award. Charles "Duke" Lough has been very active in school affairs. He has been in Thespians, Spanish, Newspaper, F.T.A., and Student Council. He was class president his senior year, Editor of the yearbook, belonged to National Honor Society, received the junior cape, and participated in both class plays. He was also honored by being chosen Valedictorian of his graduating class.

VALEDICTORIAN
Charles "Duke" Lough

"THE HIGH RANGE"

SALUTATORIAN
Jean Rochat

OGGIES

Lynne Bean

Harriette & Hannah Casebeer

Jerry Dubson

Judy Gire

Neil Statzer

Polly Nalley

Tom Elbs

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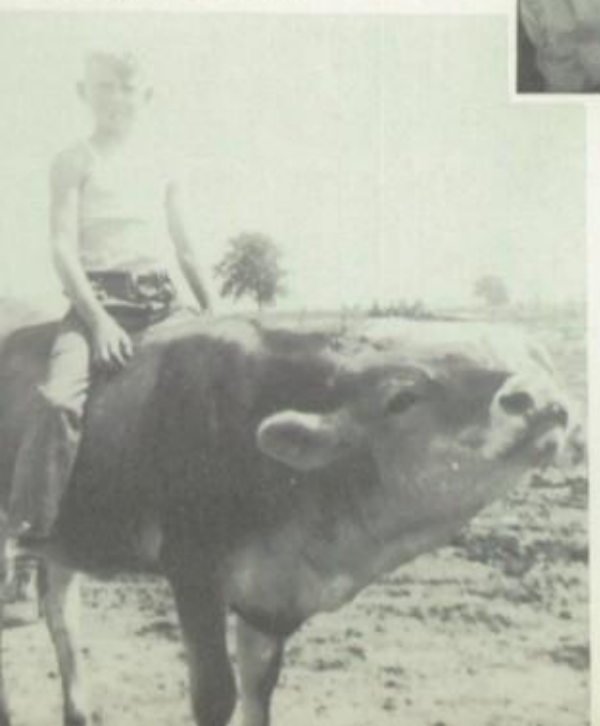
Amy Taylor

Janet Ament



Jerry Lewis

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Lynne Bean

Jean Rochat

Amy Taylor

Bob Holste

Vicki English

Lonnie Morse

Jerry Lewis

Johnny Miller

Letha Pfeffer

Rita Rund

Polly Nalley

Ken Pyle

Jan Ament

Duke Lough

THEY WENT THAT'A WAY

JANET AMENT now famous for designing the Jan Crinoline is touring Europe.
PHYLLIS BALLARD completing her role as mother in "Cheaper by the Dozen" is now happy with her 12 red heads.
JAMES BASHAM recently got out of the hospital from injuries received by falling overboard while swabbing the decks of the U.S.S. Basham.
LYNNE BEAN gave her first recital at the Metropolitian Opera House and was a tremendous success. She signed a life-long contract with the Opera House.
LINDA BECCUE has just returned from taking her Physical Education Class on a swim across the English Channel.
DONALD BENNETT is the Chief of Police at Hugo.
KENNETH BERRY has just recently stepped into the shoes of his father as Mayor of Camargo.
RUTH BROWN finally got in the movies, her first picture is the "Black Hearted Jackson," playing opposite Marlon Brando.
MARK BROWN has just brought in his 3rd million on his invention of push button driving on the John Deere Tractor.
HANNAH CASEBEER is the proud owner of a jet plane. As far as the graduating class of '56, she is the only woman pilot.
HARRIETTE CASEBEER went to California in 1956 and opened the Smart Shop for Small Women in downtown Los Angeles.
JERRY DUBSON has just made his greatest cattle drive for the Broken G. Ranch owned by Judy Gire.
TOM ELBS was recently kicked off the U. of I. football squad for carrying gin in the water buckets.
VICKI ENGLISH is now known as the blonde bomb-shell cheerleader for the Harlem Globe-Trotters.
ART FISHER has been proclaimed the number one bullfighter of Mexico City.
GILBY FONNER has feverishly been working on a super-charger for his newly designed Jet-Propelled Ford that is being driven in the 500 by his driver, Ken Pyle.
LARRY HENEGHAN, motorcycle state policeman, issued Paul Lourash, Governor of Illinois, a traffic ticket.
BOB HOLSTE, electrical engineer for G.E., has just layed the last mile of telegraph line across the Embarrass River.
FREDA HUTCHISON is now playing on Broadway taking the place of Rip Van Winkle.
JERRY LEWIS, after studying at Lincoln Bible Institute, is now the new minister at Villa Grove Christian Church.
DUKE LOUGH is now president of the Red Dot Bowling Ball Company.
PAT MADIGAN, it has been announced, was named Rudolf Valtino and will be Ruldolf Valtino the second.
JOHN MILLER is now chief midnight mechanic at Hillard's Garage in Villa Grove.
LONNIE MORSE has just married, after years of courtship, to Liberace.
POLLY NALLEY is now owner of a U.S.O. Club in Royoke, Virginia.
MARY JO PAGE is secretary and receptionest to Dr. John Boaz, in Detroit.
LETHA PFEFFER opened an exclusive chain of stores for tall girls with Modle, Jean Rochat.
JACI PURCELL and LONNIE MORSE are stationed in Hawaii and are learning Hula, dancing style.
KENNY PYLE who is the proud owner of the first Jet-Propelled Ford has been seen zooming around the country with his general mechanic, GILBY FONNER.
RITA ROSE RUND finally got her driving license after ten years of trying.
GLEORIA SENTERS was just elected as truant officer for the Villa Grove Community.
FRED SPURLIN is now football coach at U.C.L.A. and just won the West Coast Conference.
NEIL STAZER rode Sparky, the Champion horse, in the Kentucky Derby and came in first.
JITSY TANOUS finally, after all these years of hard work, won the Worlds Championship Golf Title in London, England.
AMY SUE TAYLOR took over Candy Jones job as head of the Conover School.
DENNY WADE is building a space ship that will take him to the moon to see if the moon is really made of cheese.
BARBARA WELLS is running Red's Beauty for all red-headed women.

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"Best Wishes to the Class of 56"

HAPPY TRAIL TO YOU

I, JANET AMENT, do hereby will and bequeath my pony tail to Kathy Dickason.
I, PHYLLIS BALLARD, do hereby will and bequeath a ten foot ladder to Margaret Fry so that she can fulfill our ambition of writing on the ceiling in our "Meeting place."
I, JAMES BASHAM, do hereby will and bequeath my interests in the Naval Reserves to Keith Hunt who must have signed up when he was blindfolded.
I, LYNN BEAN, do hereby will and bequeath the few brains I have left after spending four years in Villa Grove High School to anyone who can make use of them.
I, LINDA BECCUE, do hereby will and bequeath my late hours (due to chemistry interests) to all of next years Chemistry students.
I, DON BENNETT, do hereby will and bequeath my basketball ability to Bob Gaines who already has a good start.
I, KENNETH BERRY, do will and bequeath my "Oldsmobile" to all the guys who don't have one.
I, RUTH BROWN, do hereby will and bequeath the key to my dad's gas barrel to Steele Zinser so he'll never run out of gas again.
I, MARK BROWN, do hereby will and bequeath my good manners to Richard Kincannon in hopes that they help him as much as they have helped me.
I, HANNAH CASEBEER, do hereby will and bequeath my fun in my Senior year to Jean Clevenger.
I, HARRIETTE CASEBEER, do hereby will and bequeath my very best wishes to the kids in V.G.
I, JERRY DUBSON, do hereby will and bequeath my way with the girls to my buddy Neil Tay.
I, TOM ELBS, do hereby will and bequeath my sense of humor to Bob Love.
I, VICKI ENGLISH, do hereby will and bequeath the unused Varsity Cheerleader techniques to the B-team Cheerleaders.
I, ARTIE FISHER, do hereby will and bequeath my hair cut to Phil Ward.
I, GILBY FONNER, do hereby will and bequeath my broken bones to Harvey McKenzie.
I, JUDY GIRE, do hereby will and bequeath my "pool shark" reputation to Maurice Myers plus the ability to get a "free game."
I, LARRY HENEGHAN, do hereby will and bequeath my way with the teachers to Clark Feltner.
I, BOB HOLSTE, do hereby will and bequeath my all-star halfback abilities to an up-coming football prospect, Don Payton.
I, FREDA HUTCHINSON, do hereby leave Villa Grove High School taking my Pontiac with me.
I, DUKE LOUGH, do hereby will and bequeath my abilities to worry and anxieties caused by the Vade Mecum, to Jo Ann Best, Next years lucky (?) editor.
I, PAUL DEAN LOURASH, do hereby leave to go to Bonnie.
I, JERRY LEWIS, do hereby leave Villa Grove High School taking my Pontiac with me.
I, PAT MADIGAN, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to goof off and get away with it, to my big younger brother who is inexperienced along this line but very active.
I, JOHNNY MILLER, do hereby will and bequeath my meanness to Johnny Gilles so he can add mine to his.
I, LONNIE MORSE, do hereby will and bequeath my job at the Sweet Shop to my brother Bill.
I, POLLY NALLEY, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to make a fool of myself to Donna Love, who already has a good start.
I, MARY JO PAGE, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to go with one boy to my sister Dorothy, who practices just the opposite.
I, LETHA PFEFFER, do hereby will and bequeath my dancing ability to Mary Gen Sawyer.
I, JACI PURCELL, do hereby will and bequeath my dark blue eyes to Mary Gen Sawyer.
I, KENNY PYLE, do hereby will and bequeath my abilities to "drag" to Pete Mayhall, who could use some lessons.
I, JEAN ROCHAT, being of sound mind and body, do hereby will and bequeath my "T" book to Carolyn Sawyer, trusting that she will use it for the same purpose I have.
I, RITA RUND, do hereby will and bequeath my hour long ride home on the bus every night to anyone who wants it.
I, GLEORA SENTERS, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get along with teachers to Bill Jones.
I, FRED SPURLIN, do hereby will and bequeath my High School Ability to anyone who wants it.
I, NEIL STAZER, do hereby will and bequeath my bad liver to anyone I can shove it off on.
I, JEROME TANOUS, do hereby will and bequeath my big shoes to Barbara Crouse in hopes that she may someday grow into them.
I, AMY SUE TAYLOR, do hereby will and bequeath my wonderful weekends to Phil Gammon in hopes that he will enjoy them too.
I, DENNIS WADE, am unable to will and bequeath anything because I need all I have got.
I, BARBARA WELLS, do hereby will and bequeath my short, fiery, red hair to Margaret Fry. (I wonder what she would look like?)

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WAGON WHEELS

48 Freshmen swarmed through the doors of Ol' V.G. High and were destined to be the graduating class of 1956. To start things rolling they elected Pat Madigan-President, Vicki English-Vice-President, and Kenneth Berry-Secretary-Treasurer. There were five new classmates in the freshman class, Jean Rochat, Rita Rund, Sharon Waugh, Polly Nalley and Mark Brown. Our capable sponsors were Miss Carson and Mr. Schroeder. Under their leadership the class elected Tom Elbs to represent them in Student Council. Vicki English was elected Junior Varsity Cheerleader and Amy Taylor and Neil Statzer were Freshman attendants for Homecoming. As Prom time rolled around Judy Gire, Amy Taylor, Neil Statzer and Jerome Tanous were honored to be Punch Girls and Boys at the Junior Prom.

45 Sophomores drifted back to school in 1953. Class officers were Tom Elbs-President, Neil Statzer-Vice-President, Ruth Brown-Secretary, and Jerome Tanous-Treasurer. Mr. Schroeder was the sponsor along with Miss Jones. Representatives to Student Council were Jean Rochat, Pat Madigan and Janet Ament. Vicki English was re-elected Junior Varsity Cheerleader along with Linda Beccue. For Homecoming the sophomore class won first prize for the best float and Ruth Brown and Jerome Tanous were the Sophomore attendants. Twelve Sophomore girls were elected to serve as Maids and fourteen boys were elected to serve as Butlers at the Junior and Senior Prom.

Autumn of 1954 arrived quickly with 42 Juniors returning. The capable officers were Jean Rochat-President, Vicki English-Vice-President, Judy Gire-Secretary, and Polly Nalley-Treasurer. We received another new sponsor along with Mr. Schroeder, Mrs. Hyland. This year held fond memories such as the Junior Play "That's our Boy" and the Junior Prom. The theme was "Hitch your wagon to a star" with Joan Jolley-Chairman. Student Council members were Jerome Tanous, Jean Rochat, Rita Rund, Art Fisher, and Janet Ament. Vicki was elected Varsity Cheerleader. Joan Jolley and Pat Madigan were elected Homecoming attendants. Vicki English and Lynne Bean were the two Juniors in the Junior and Senior Octette that went to State for two consecutive years. Duke Lough was awarded the Junior Cape as recognition of his high scholastic standing. The marshalls at the commencement exercises were Duke Lough and Jean Rochat. The aides were Jerry Lewis and Lonnie Morse.

After 11 years hard work, 40 Seniors finally realized their dream as a reality, they were Seniors!!! At the first class meeting the sponsors Mrs. Savage, Mr. Schroeder, Mr. Hallam and the help of the classmates elected Duke Lough-President, Art Fisher-Vice-President, Rita Rund-Secretary, and Vicki English-Treasurer. The previous spring there were campaigns for student council President-Pat Madigan was elected with Denny Wade-Vice-President. Other members were Neil Statzer, Duke Lough, Art Fisher, and Jean Rochat. Jean also was Secretary for the Champaign District Student Council. Lynne Bean-Lead Majorette, Janet Ament, and Phyllis Ballard, who all three have served 4 years capably led the band in the Homecoming parade and all the home games. The school elected Vicki English-Homecoming Queen and Pat Madigan-Homecoming King. They reigned over the game and the dance that followed. Amy Taylor and Larry Heneghan were the Senior Attendants. Everyone was happy about the 13-7 win over Paris. Vicki English (concluding 4 consecutive years) and Harriette Casebeer were elected varsity cheerleaders from the Senior Class to cheer the team to victory along with the captain-Pat Madigan. Jean Rochat was Villa Grove's attendant in the 1955 Pancake festival, and was elected by the school. Amy Taylor and Jerry Dubson were the Christmas Ball Queen and King. The Senior play "Cheaper by the Dozen", was a huge success and Mrs. Wilson, our Director did a find job. Work was soon started on the Vade Mecum led by Duke Lough, Vicki English, Jean Rochat, and Judy Gire. Vicki English was awarded the D.A.R. award and Duke Lough the S.A.R. award in this school. Duke Lough was Valedictorian and Jean Rochat was Salutatorian.

Congratulations to Class of "56"
DON'S IGA MARKET

JEROME TANOUS
Nickname-Jitsy
Best Quality-Curley hair
Worst Fault-Temper
Favorite Pastime-Golf
Baseball 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 3; Class Treasurer 2; Student Council 3; Sportsman Club 3; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Lettermans Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Athletic Scholarship Society 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff.

AMY SUE TAYLOR
Nickname-Am
Best Quality-Cheerfulness
Worst Fault-Falling off chairs
Favorite Pastime-John
Girls Chorus 1, 2; Spanish Club 2; Homecoming Attendant 1, 4; Christmas Ball Queen 4; Junior Play; Pep Club 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2; Newspaper Staff 2, 3, 4; Maid at Prom 2; Annual Staff; Punch Girl 1.

DENNIS WADE
Nickname-Menace
Best Quality-Dancing Ability
Worst Fault-Goofing off
Favorite Pastime-Sports
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys Chorus 4; Dramatics 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4; Spanish 2, 3, 4; Lettermans Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Vice-President of Student Council 4; Annual Staff; Athletic Honor Society; Butler at Prom 2.

BARBARA WELLS
Nickname-Barb
Best Quality-Red hair
Worst Fault-Talking
Favorite Pastime-Jim
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff; Newspaper Staff 4; Dramatics 1; Pep Club 2; Mixed Chorus 3, 4.

ADA JUNE McBRIDE
Completed 3 1/2 years with the Graduating Class.

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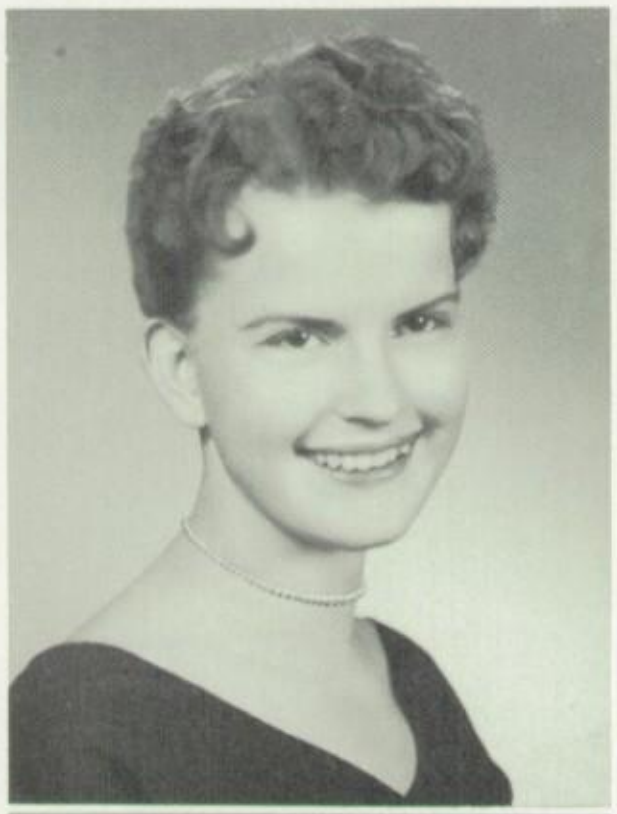
KENNETH PYLE
ckname-"Yohanne"
st Quality-Politeness
orst Fault-New Car
vorite Pastime-Hauling girls around in his car.
nd 2, 3, 4; Football 1; Annual Staff.

GLEORA SENTERS
ckname-Glee
st Quality-Smile
orst Fault-Skipping school
vorite Pastime-Dating
rls Chorus 1, 2, 3; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Spanish F.H.A. 1; Annual Staff.

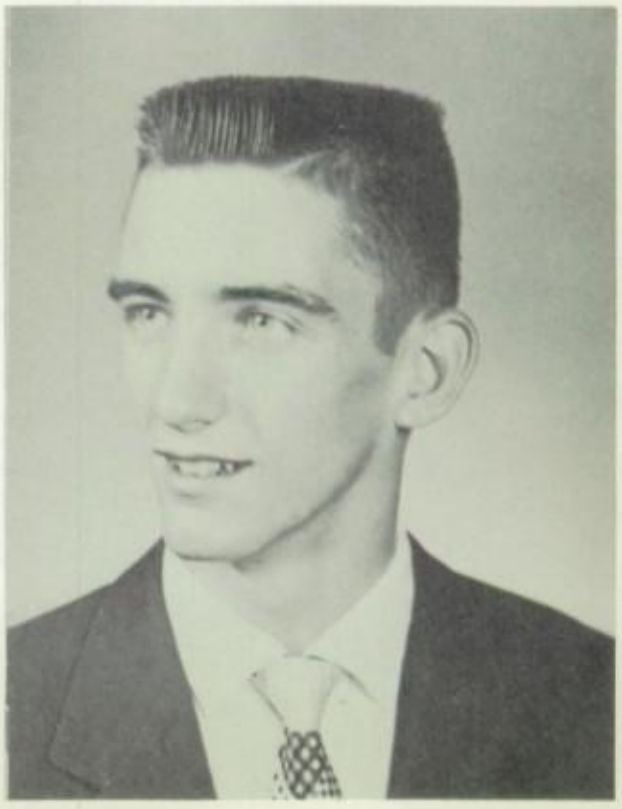
JEAN ROCHAT
Nickname-"Jean"
Best Quality-Intellect
Worst Fault-Bossin'
Favorite Pastime-Daydreaming and Sewing
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretarial District Secretary 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Girls Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Ensemble 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Senior Play; Class President 3; Newspaper Staff 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Pancake Attendant 4; Annual Staff 4.



FRED SPURLIN
Nickname-Fred
Best Quality-Navy Career?
Worst Fault-Talking
Favorite Pastime-Tuscola
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 1, 2; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Lettermans Club 2, 3, 4; F.T.A. 4; Annual Staff.

RITA RUND
Nickname-Rita
Best Quality-Sweet disposition
Worst Fault-Slowness
Favorite Pastime-Dancing
Dramatics 1, 2, 3, 4; Points Chairman 4; Thespian 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Class Secretary 4; Pep Club 2; Newspaper Staff 3, 4; Annual Staff; Maid at Prom 2.

NEIL STATZER
Nickname-Liver
Best Quality-Casualness
Worst Fault-Not studying
Favorite Pastime-Sports??
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 4; Student Council; Spanish Club 2, 3; Class Vice-President 2; Homecoming Attendant 1; Punch Boy 1; Music Camp Scholarship 3; Athletic Scholarship Society; Annual Staff



JOHN MILLER
Nickname-Johnny
Best Quality-Neatness
Worst Fault-Lack of Interest
Favorite Pastime-Catting Around
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3; Annual Staff.

MARLANA MORSE
Nickname-Lonnie
Best Quality-Amaition
Worst Fault-Engagement rings
Favorite Pastime-Writing letters and listening to "boys"
Taylorville 1, 2; Newspaper Club 3, 4; Girls Chorus 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Blue Print Staff 3, 4; Ensemble 4; Annual Staff.

POLLY NALLEY
Nickname-Nalley
Best Quality-Voice
Worst Fault-Sarcasm
Favorite Pastime-Music
Girl's Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Treasurer of Junior Class; Newspaper Staff 4; Vade Mecum Staff; Ensemble 1, 2, 3, 4; State Contest 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Pep Club 2.

MARY JO PAGE
Nickname-Jo
Best Quality-Neatness
Worst Fault-John
Favorite Pastime-Reading
Annual Staff.

LETHA PFEFFER
Nickname-Pef
Best Quality-Sweetness
Worst Fault-Flirting
Favorite Pastime-Dancing
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 3, 4; Chorus 2, 4; Annual Staff.

JACI PURCELL
Nickname-Kay
Best Quality-Calmness
Worst Fault-Slowness
Favorite Pastime-Horseback Riding
Girls Chorus 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Annual Staff.

CHARLES HOLSTE
ickname-"Bob"
est Quality-Voice
orst Fault-Quietness
avorite Pastime-Sports and Music
enior Play; Boys Chorus; Annual Staff;
ssistant Sports Editor; Baseball 4.

CHARLES LOUGH
ickname-"Duke"
est Quality-Intellect
orst Fault-Easily disgusted
avorite Pastime; Bowling and Hunting
panish Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Club 3, 4;
tudent Council 4; Class President 4;
ational Honor Society 2, 3, 4; S.A.R. 4;
nior Editor of Yearbook 3; Yearbook Staff
-Editor; Commencement Marshall; News-
aper Staff 4; Junior Play; Senior Play;
nior Cape; Butler at Prom 2; F.T.A.-
ice-President 4; Valedictorian.

FREDA HUTCHISON
Nickname-"Hutchie"
Best Quality-Neatness
Worst Fault-Shyness
Favorite Pastime-Listening to Records
G.A.A. 1, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2; Secretary 2;
Spanish 2, 4; Chorus 1, 4; Annual Staff.

PAUL LOURASH
Nickname-"Moe"
Best Quality-Quietness
Worst Fault-Bonnie
Favorite Pastime-Bowling
Football 1; Baseball 3, 4; Lettermans Club
4; Annual Staff.

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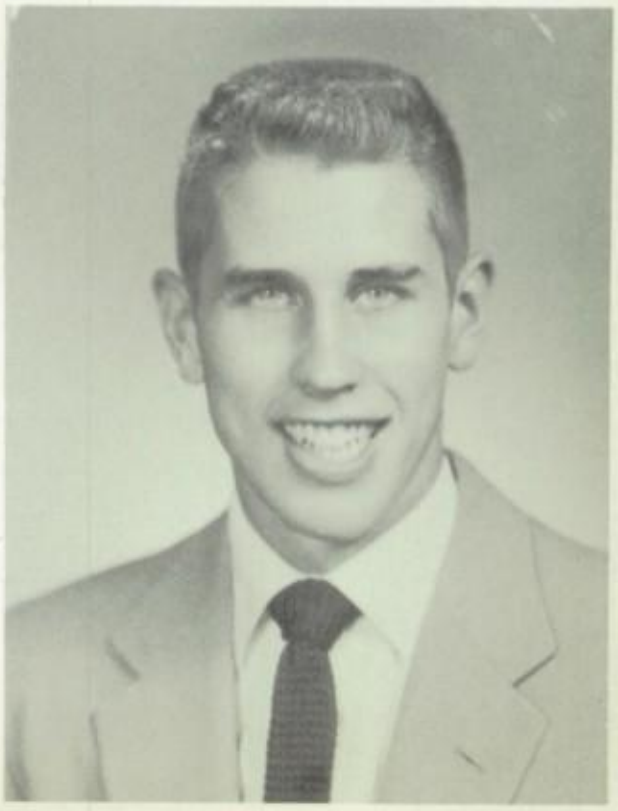
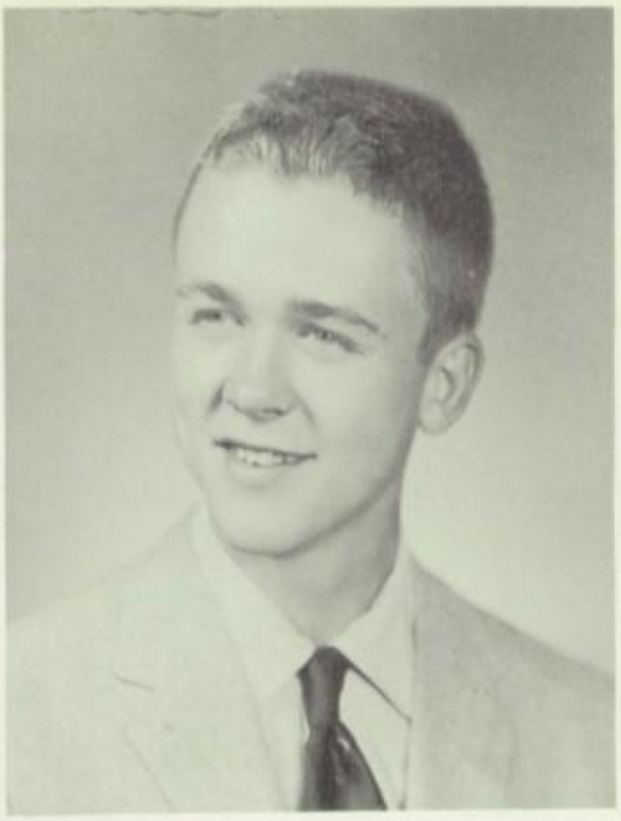
JERRY LEWIS
Nickname-"George"
Best Quality-Mathematics
Worst Fault-Mouthin' off
Favorite Pastime-Athletic
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track
1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Letterman 2, 3, 4;
Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Thespian
3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Annual Staff;
Sports Editor; Athletic Honor Society 2, 3, 4;
Commencement Aide, Boys Chorus 3, 4; F.T.A.
President 4.

PAT MADIGAN
Nickname-"Otto"
Best Quality-Athletics
Worst Fault-Girls
Favorite Pastime-Motorcycle and Hunting
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Letter-
mans Club 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; Sportsman
Club 3; Student Council 2; President 4;
President Class 1; Annual Staff; Athletic Schol-
arship Society 3, 4; Homecoming King 4;
Attendant 3; Butler at Prom 2.



TOM ELBS
Nickname-"T"
Best Quality-Friendliness
Worst Fault-Talking Quietly
Favorite Pastime-Drinking Beverages
Student Council 1; Class President 2; Butler 2; Senior Play; Letterman Club 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band President 3; Track 2; Spanish 2, 3; Sportsmen 3; Annual Staff.

VICKI ENGLISH
Nickname-"Vic"
Best Quality-Blonde Hair
Worst Fault-Driving Without License
Favorite Pastime-Bob
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4 (Vice-President 4); Dramatics 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-President 1, 3; Treasurer 4; Homecoming Queen 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls Octette 1, 2, 3; State 2, 3; Music Camp Scholarship 3; Spanish Club 2; Newspaper Staff 4; Senior Play; Annual Staff, Assistant Editor; D.A.R.; Maid at Prom 2; Junior Play; National Honor Society 4.

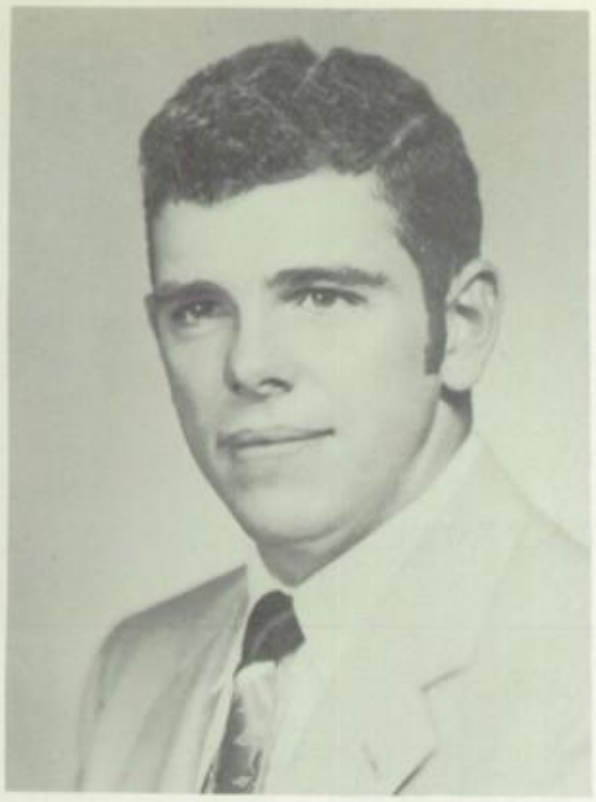


ART FISHER
Nickname-"Arturo"
Best Quality-Gift of Gab
Worst Fault-Spanish
Favorite Pastime-Running Around
Student Council 3, 4; Newspaper 3, 4; Spanish 2, 3, 4; Dramatic 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4; Boys Chorus 3, 4; Vice-President of Class 4; Junior and Senior Plays; Annual Staff.

GILBY FONNER
Nickname-"Gilb"
Best Quality-Friendliness
Worst Fault-Car
Favorite Pastime-Tuscola Girls
Annual Staff.

JUDY GIRE
Nickname-"Judy-O"
Best Quality-Friendliness
Worst Fault-Playin' Pool
Favorite Pastime-Art Work
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; President 4; Dramatics 3, 4; Point Chairman 3; Vice-President 4; Class Secretary 3; Annual Staff-Art Editor; Pep Club 2; Prom Punch Girl 1; Newspaper 3, 4; Assistant Editor 3; Editor 4; Spanish 2; Prom Maid 2; Librarian 2; Concessions Co-Chairman 3.

LARRY HENEGHAN
Nickname-"Ears"
Best Quality-Athletic Ability
Worst Fault-Sandy
Favorite Pastime-Motorcycle
Lettermans Club 3; Sportsman Club 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Butler 2; Annual Staff



KENNETH BERRY
Nickname-Kemp
Best Quality-Car
Worst Fault-Margaret
Favorite Pastime-Riding around in the car.
Basketball 1, 2; Track 1; Class Secretary and Treasurer 1; Butler 2; Annual Staff.

MARK BROWN
Nickname-Whitey
Best Quality-Politeness
Worst Fault-Quietness
Favorite Pastime-Driving around
Senior Play; Annual Staff.

RUTH BROWN
Nickname-Ruth
Best Quality-Neatness
Worst Fault-Flirtiness
Favorite Pastime-Listening to Records
Spanish Club 2, 3; Dramatics Club 2, 3, 4; Newspaper Staff 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Junior Play; Homecoming Attendant 2; Maid at Prom 2; Annual Staff; Thespian 3; President 4.

HANNAH CASEBEER
Nickname-Han
Best Quality-Orville
Worst Fault-Singing bits of new songs to Vicki
Favorite Pastime-Listening to popular music on radio
Newspaper 3, 4; Librarian 4; Spanish 2; Pep Club 2; Girls Chorus 2; G. A. A. 1, 2, 4; Annual Staff; Senior Play.

JERRY DUBSON
Nickname-Grover
Best Quality-Smile
Worst Fault-Shyness
Favorite Pastime-Motorcycle riding
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice-President 3; President 4; Letterman Club 4; Track 2, 4; Basketball 4; Football 4; Christmas Ball King 4; Butler 2.

HARRIETTE CASEBEER
Nickname-Het
Best Quality-Smile
Worst Fault-Getting in on the tail of a conversation
Favorite Pastime-Sports
G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls Chorus 2, 3; Pep Club 2; Newspaper 3, 4; F. H. A. 3; Dramatics 3, 4; President 4; Annual Staff 4; Maid at Prom 2; Senior Play; Varsity Cheerleader.

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JANET AMENT
Nickname-Jan
Best Quality-Bookkeeping
Worst Fault-Temper
Favorite Pastime-Sewing
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 1, 2; Student Council 2, 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff; Newspaper Staff 3, 4; Majorette 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Director 4; Pep Club 2; Maid at Prom 2.

PHYLLIS BALLARD
Nickname-Phyl
Best Quality-Sweet Voice
Worst Fault-Quick Temper
Favorite Pastime-Dancing
Majorette 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Spanish Club 2; Chorus 2, 3; Senior Play; Student Director Junior; Concession Chairman 4; Annual Staff.

JAMES BASHAM
Nickname-Jim
Best Quality-Artistic Ability
Worst Fault-Navy
Favorite Pastime-Working on inventions
Track 2; F.F.A. 3; Sportsman Club 3; Annual Staff.

LYNNE BEAN
Nickname-Lynne
Best Quality-Voice
Worst Fault-Arguing
Favorite Pastime-Music
Majorette 3; Drum Major 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls Octette 1, 2, 3; State 2, 3; Thespian 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4; Music Camp Scholarship 2, 3; Newspaper Staff 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; Pep Club 2; Junior Class Play; Senior Class Play; Librarian 4; Annual Staff 4.

DONALD BENNETT
Nickname-Little Peanut
Best Quality-Athletic Ability
Worst Fault-Teasing Phyllis Ballard
Favorite Pastime-Dancing
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 4; Baseball 3; Lettermans Club 4; Annual Staff.

LINDA BECCUE
Nickname-Becky
Best Quality-Completion
Worst Fault-Goofin-off
Favorite Pastime-Dancing
Thespian 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4; Girls Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; Annual Staff; Newspaper Staff 3, 4; Cheerleader 2; Pep Club 2; Concession Chairman 3; Junior Play; Senior Play (Light Effects) Maid at Prom; Mixed Chorus 3; F.T.A. Secretary 4.

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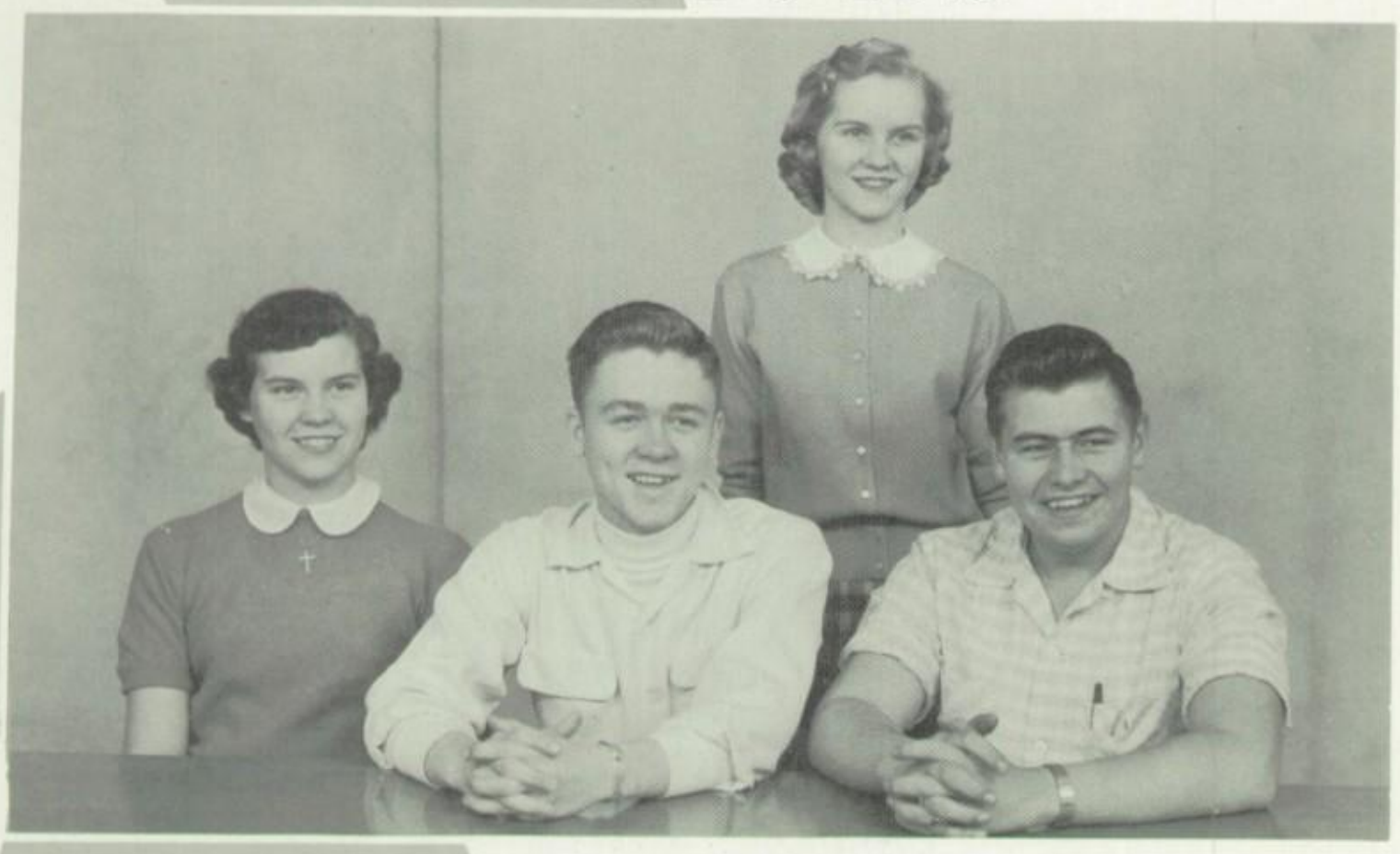

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Duke Lough
Vice-President	Art Fisher
Secretary	Rita Rund
Treasurer	Vicki English

THE TOP DUDES

SENIOR FAVORITES

Biggest Flirt	Jean Rochat	Fred Spurlin
Best Figure	Amy Taylor	Pat Madigan
Best Smile	Harriette Casebeer	Neil Statzer
Best Dancer	Letha Pfeffer	Don Bennett
Prettiest Eyes	Ruth Brown	Denny Wade
Prettiest Teeth	Hannah Casebeer	Jitsy Tanous
Prettiest Hair	Barbara Wells	Jitsy Tanous
Best Liked	Amy Taylor	Duke Lough
Best Looking	Vicki English	Jitsy Tanous
Best Dressed	Ruth Brown	Pat Madigan
Best Personality	Vicki English	Duke Lough
Class Heartbreaker	Lonnie Morse	Pat Madigan
Most Comical	Harriette Casebeer	Tom Elbs
Most Athletic	Judy Gire	Jerry Lewis
Most Datingest	Ruth Brown	Ken Berry
Most Likely To Succeed	Jean Rochat	Duke Lough
Best Complexion	Linda Beccue	Jitsy Tanous

OUT ON THE OPEN RANGE

Aug. 29-First Football Practice, 51 reported - Come on you guys!

Sept. 1-First day of school, dismissed at 11:00. Short day!
2-First full day of school. Back to the old grind.
5-Labor Day (No school) A vacation, goody!
9-Teacher's Institute (No school)
13-Seniors picked announcements and Juniors picked class rings.
14-Freshman-Sophomore Cheerleaders
16-First football game - Won
22-G.A.A. Initiation at school with potluck at Harrison Park - Dig them crazy outfits!
23-Gibson City - We Won
27-Senior Pictures taken.
28-Freshman and Sophomore tug-of-war. Sophomores won.
29-Snake Dance - Freshman initiation, now you're one of us.
30-Homecoming - Paris, we won - we're on our way.

Oct. 5-Pancake Festival - Jean Rochat, attendant No parade, school dismissed at 11:30.
7-No school - Monticello, we won. Letterman's Dance.
10-Newman, we lost. Letterman's Dance.
14-Sullivan, we won. End of first six weeks.
20-Report cards went out. Did you beat the mailman?
21-Seniors turned in proofs. Tuscola, we won.
28-Oakland, Decision??? Fight, but don't come to blows.

Nov. 4-Atwood, lost, can't win them all. What happened? Junior Class Record Dance.
10-Newman, we lost. Letterman's Dance.
11-Armistice Day (No School)
12-District Student Council Meeting here.
17-Senior Party, let's control ourselves.
18-Senior Play, "Cheaper By The Dozen." Anyone for post office??
22-Thanksgiving Dance.
23-End of second six weeks.
24-Thanksgiving Vacation begins.
28-Back to school.
29-Played Homer.

Dec. 2-Sullivan, Sophomore Dance.
5-Football Banquet
6-Deland-Weldon
9-Oakland, South Land Quartette
13-Unity
16-Tuscola - Band Party
17-Lakeview
20-Atwood
21-Christmas Vacation begins 4:00. Senior Party at Polly's, Better slow down!!
27-29-Monticello Christmas Tourney
31-New Year's Eve Party at Letha's.

Jan. 3-Back to school.
5-Newman
6-Arthur
9-Freshman skating party.
10-Farmer City
13-Arcola, Freshman Dance. End of semester.
17-Junior Skating Party, Champaign. Sophomore Skating Party, Mattoon.
18-Illinois Wesleyan Band Concert
20-Cerro Gordo
21-Sophomore Dance
23-28-Okaw Tourney
31-Christman....Magazine sales begin.

Feb. 3-Monticello, Sophomore Dance
8-Faculty Meeting, dismissed at 2:30.
9-County Band Festival at Arthur.
10-Charleston
11-G.A.A. Sweetheart Dance
14-Unity
16-Douglas County Chorus Festival at Arthur.
17-A.B.L.
24-Bement
29-Mattoon in regional Tourney

Mar. 9-School Carnival
12-State Tourney
13-F.F.A. Potluck
15-Vocational Talk by Mr. William Skadden.
23-Junior Play
24-Music Contest
26-Baseball game at Charleston.
29-30-No School

Apr. 2-No School
6-Baseball game here with Charleston. End of fifth six weeks.
7-Track meet, Charleston. Music contest.
10-Newman, there.
12-Baseball, Champaign.
14-Track Meet at Paris.
18-Bement, there.
23-Track meet at Oakwood.
24-Fine Arts Festival.
25-Unity
26-Longview
27-County Scholarship Exams
28-County Scholarship Exams

May 1-Okaw Freshman and Sophomore Track meet at Monticello
2-Baseball at Champaign
3-Newman Baseball-Track meet at Sullivan
4-Urbana Relays-State Music Contest
5-Band Picnic-State Music Contest
7-A.B.L. (here) Christian Church Banquet
8-Okaw varsity meet at Tuscola
9-Unity (there) Oakland Band Concert
11-District Track Meet at Mattoon
12-Junior and Senior Prom
14-G.A.A. Banquet
15-All Sports Banquet
17-Thespian Banquet
18-Bement, State Track Meet
19-Senior Picnic, State Track Meet
22-Music Banquet
23-Awards Assembly
26-Alumi Banquet
27-Baccalaureate
28-Final Exams
29-Final Exams, Honor's Night
30-No School
31-Commencement

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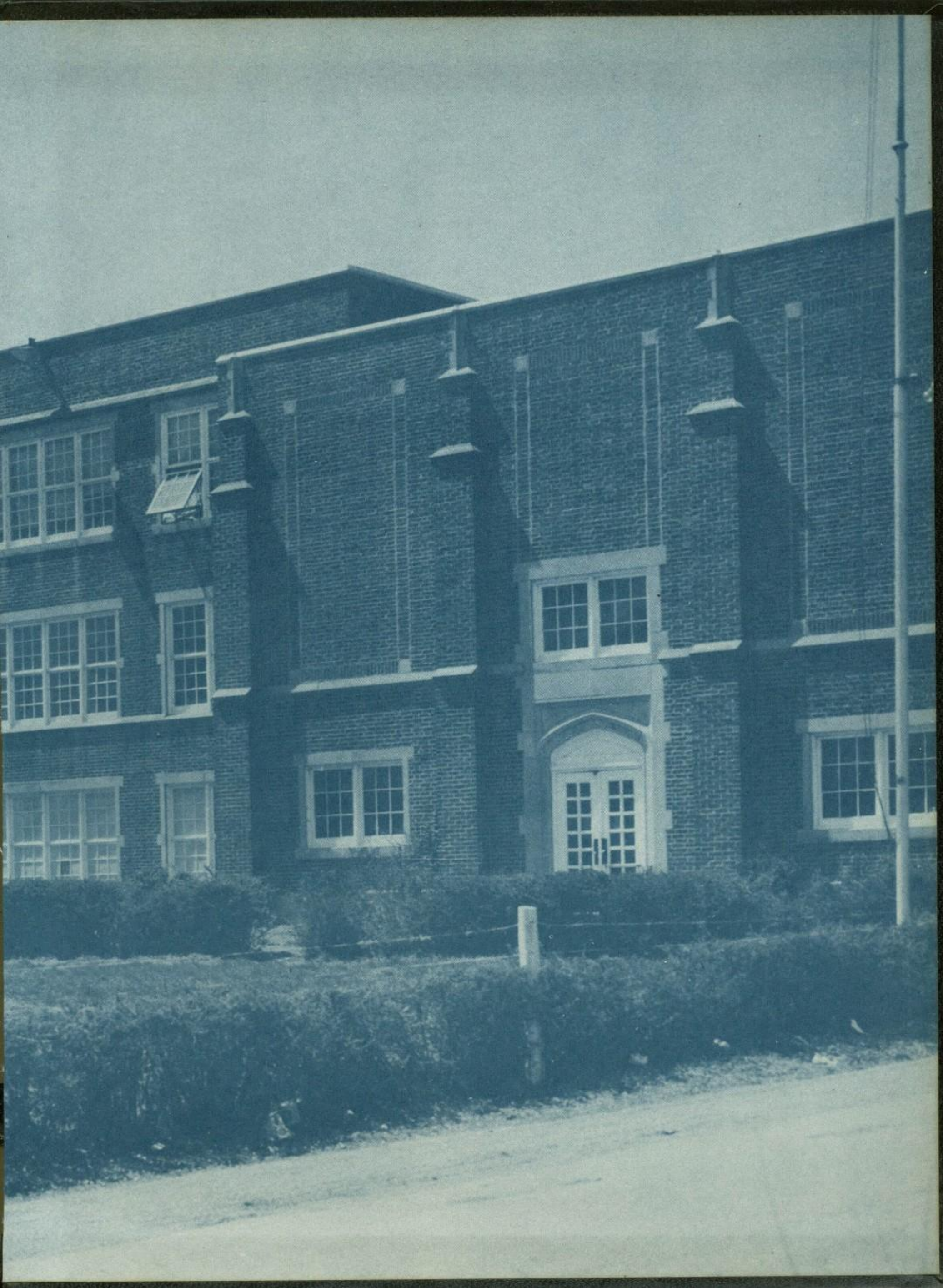

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